



As much as the Queenes Maiestie our soueraigne Ladie is credibly en-
foumed, that the infection of the plague is at this present in sundry places in and
about the cite of Westminster, whereas by the continuance thereof, through
the greater repayre and resort of her louing subiects, great perill and danger
might not onely ensue vnto her most royall person, but also to her most lo-
uyng subiects repaying thither for their suites and causes, and thereby also giue
occasion of dispearyng of the same in other parts of the Realme: Her Ma-
iestie for the sayd necessary considerations, and hoping that the same will by
the goodnes of almighty God, with the coldnesse of the yeere, the rather cease
by the adiournment of part of this next Terme of Saint Michael now at
hand, from the vtas of the same, vntill the returne, commonly called *menſe Michaelis*: Her Maiestie there-
fore of her especiall fauour and clemencie, is pleased and contented to adiourne the sayde Terme of
Saint Michael, that is to say, from the vtas thereof, vnto the sayde time of *Menſe Michaelis*,
which her Maiestie signifieth to all and singuler her louing subiectes of this her Realme, to the
intent that they and euery of them which hath cause or commaundement to appeare in any of her high-
nesse courts at Westminster, in, or at any day or tyme from and after the sayde vtas of Saint Michael,
may tary at their dwellings, or where their businesse otherwyle shall lye, without resorting to any of
the said Courts for that cause, before the said *Menſe Michaelis* next coming, & that without danger of for-
feiture, penaltie, or contempt, to incurr towards her highnesse in that behalfe. And neuerthelesse,
her Maiesties pleasure is, that two of her Iustices, that is to say of eyther Bench one, shall the first day
of *Michaelmas Terme*, called *Octabis Michaelis*, accordyng to the auncient order of her lawes, keepe the
essoignes of the said *Octabis Michaelis*, at which vtas of Saint Michael, writtes of adiournement shall be di-
rected to the said Iustices, geuing them auctoritie to adiourne the sayd Terme of Saint Michael, that
is to say, from the vtas thereof, vntill the same *menſe Michaelis* as before is sayde, & the same adiournement
shall be made in the first day of the sayd vtas, commonly called the day of the essoignes. And further her Ma-
iesties pleasure is, that all matters, causes, and suites depending in any of her other Courts between par-
tie and partie, as in her highnesse Courts of Chauncerie, Starre chamber, & the Exchequer, Courtes of
Wardes and Lineries, and Duchie of Lancaster, shall haue continuance, and the partie shall haue day
from the date of these presents, vnto *menſe Michaelis* as before is sayde.

Provided alwaies, and her Maiesties pleasure and commaundement is, that all Collectours, Recea-
uers, Sheriffes, and other accomptants, and all other persons that ought or should accompt or pay
any summe or summes of money in any of her Maiesties Court of Exchequer, Courts of Wardes & Li-
neries, or of her Duchie of Lancaster, or in any of them, or to enter into any accompt in any of the same
Courts, shall repaire vnto the accustomed places at Westminster, where her highnes hath appointed such
officers & ministers, as for that purpose her Maiesty hath thought expedient, and there to pay & do in eue-
ry behalfe, as though no such Proclamation of adiournment had ben had or made: any thing mentio-
ned in this present Proclamation, or in any writte of adiournement to the contrarie, notwithstanding.
Willig and commaunding all and euery of her Maiesties officers, ministers, and subiects, to
whom it doth or shall appertaine, to obserue and keepe their assemblies and apperaunces, with all their
returmes and certificates, in her highnes said Courts at Westminster in *menſe Michaelis* next coming, then
and there to be holden and kept, and there to do their offices and duties in euery behalfe, in like manner
and forme as they should or ought to haue done, if this present Proclamation had not ben had or made,
as they will answer to the contrary at their perils.

Given at her Maiesties Towne of Redyng, the xxix. day of September, 1576. the xviii. yeere of her

Maiesties raigue.

God saue the Queene.

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